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WASHINGTON, D. C. 20505

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Honorable Jacob K. Javits
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Javits:

25X1 Your correspondence dated 3 March enclosing a letter
from [redacted] of Brooklyn, New York, has been referred
from the Department of Justice to this Agency for reply.

25X1 [redacted] expressed concern about the possible adverse
effect of cutbacks in personnel on our intelligence opera-
tional capabilities. In that connection you may wish to
send her comments made by Admiral Stansfield Turner,
Director of Central Intelligence, in a recent U.S. News and
World Report interview. In that interview he addressed the
same concern raised by [redacted]

I trust this information is useful in responding to
your constituent.

Sincerely,

[redacted]
Acting Legislative Counsel

Enclosure

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"Q. Are you 'going overboard' in your reliance on technology rather than traditional spying to do the job, as some critics have complained?

A. Quite the reverse. Everything I am doing is designed to emphasize improved human intelligence collection.

One of the things that I have done in the past year is to stimulate increased interest and attention on the part of the top policy makers in the Government in what human intelligence collection can do for them. And they're giving us lots of support in that direction, and more guidance as to what they want.

That's what helps to make good clandestine intelligence collection. You want to collect what people need, not what you think is important.

Now, the advent of new technological means of collecting intelligence is one of the factors that is creating change in the process of intelligence in a very substantial way. The trouble is that, in a general sense, technical intelligence tells you what happened yesterday.

Ever since the Battle of Jericho in Biblical times, the human intelligence agent has helped you to find out what's likely to happen tomorrow. I find that the more technical intelligence data I give to the policy makers, the more often they ask me what is going to happen tomorrow--the intentions of the other side. And I must turn to the human intelligence people of the CIA for those answers.

So, contrary to the implication of your question, the advent of better technical collection has led to greater demands for the kind of collection which is done by the human intelligence element."

From: U.S. News and World Report, 6 February 1978

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TO : [REDACTED]		DATE OF REQUEST
FROM : RJK		28 March 1978
SUBJECT: <i>30 MAR 1978</i> Response to Senator Javits re constituent letter		SUSPENSE DATE 30 Mar 78

NOTES

This constituent is concerned about possible loss in effectiveness of human intelligence gathering as a result of personnel cutbacks.

DCI comments in "U.S. News and World Report" are very helpful on this point.

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 ① In sending article we are also sending beginning which is not positive -
 ② Any copyright problems -
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ACTION REQUIRED BY GXX LLM:

Letter for your signature.

Helen's office has no problem with sending an extract of the interview

*Per LLM is
 31 MAR 1978*

*③ Personal
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"U.S. News and World Report," 6 February 1978. In that
article Admiral Turner, Director of Central Intelligence,
addresses that very same concern. He stated in part:
"Everything I am doing is designed to emphasize improved
human intelligence collection."

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Sincerely,

[redacted]
Acting Legislative Counsel

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Department of Justice
Washington, D.C. 20530

March 20, 1978

Honorable Jacob K. Javits
United States Senate
Washington, D. C. 20510

Dear Senator Javits:

This is in response to your inquiry of March 3, 1978, on behalf of [REDACTED]

After careful consideration, I am taking the liberty of referring this matter to the Central Intelligence Agency, Washington, D. C. 20505, asking them to reply directly to you.

If I may be of further assistance to you, please let me know.

Sincerely,

Patricia M. Wald
Assistant Attorney General



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MAR 3 1978

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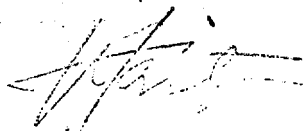
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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

WASHINGTON, D. C. 20530

for such consideration as the communication
herewith submitted may warrant, and for a report
thereon, in duplicate to accompany return of
inclosure.

By direction of



Jacob K. Javits, U.S.S.
ATTN: Sec'y
202-634-6312

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Form #1

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SEN. JACOB JAVITS

MAR - 3 1978

Senator Jacob Javits
United States Senate
Washington D.C. 20510

Justice 67444
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re: CIA cutback.

Dear Sir:

I am writing to you regarding the recent cut backs on the number of CIA agents. When is this being done?

The KGB is expanding its influence in the Mideast, Germany, France and other European countries. The simple fact is that while we are cutting back the Soviets are increasing their agents.

By drastically cutting our operational intelligence force, we are jeopardizing one of our most valuable sources of intelligence. Although only 15 percent of the CIA's intelligence is collected by human sources, this is most often the most important source of information on our enemies because it shows their intentions. We would never have known about Soviet installation of missiles in Cuba had it not been for agents on the

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ground who let us know about it and the location so our reconnaissance planes could get photographic evidence. The ~~more~~ more the Soviets develop sophisticated countermeasures to neutralize most of our technical intelligence collection means (ie killer satellites), we will have to rely more on human sources of information and this means more agents we should have, not less.

Please do something to reverse this disastrous course. We need every agent to help us to remain free.

Sincerely yours



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